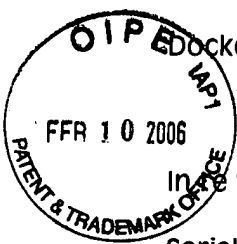


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Responsive to the January 5, 2006 restriction requirement in the above-identified patent application, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, the Group I Claims 1-14, 22 and 23 for continued prosecution in this application, and further provisionally elect from the Group I claims, with traverse, the Species 1 Claims 1-4, 7-14, 22 and 23. Applicants further state that Claims 1-3, 7 and 8 are generic claims.

In summary, applicants have provisionally elected Claims 1-4, 7-14, 22 and 23, and acknowledge the temporary withdrawal from consideration of the non-elected Claims 5, 6, 15-21, 24 and 25.

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